CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Tuesday, November 27, 2001

SENATE

Measures Introduced:

S. 1732. A bill to provide incentives for an economic recovery and relief for victims of terrorism, and for other purposes; read the first time.

Daschle

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S. 1733. A bill to develop and implement a unified electronic data system to enhance access to information that is relevant to determine whether to issue a visa or admit an alien to the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Edwards

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S. 1735. A bill to establish a National Commission on Threats to the Homeland and United States National Security; to the Committee on Armed Services.

Biden

Pages S 12055, S 12056-8

Measures Reported:

H.R. 2559, to amend chapter 90 of title 5, United States Code, relating to Federal long-term care insurance.

S. 1271, to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small business concerns with certain Federal paperwork requirements, to establish a task force to examine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small business concerns, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Pages S 12053, D 1165

Measure Passed:

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Compliance Extension: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. 1684, to provide a 1-year extension of the date for compliance by certain covered entities with the administrative simplification standards for electronic transactions and code sets issued in accordance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, and the bill was then passed.

Pages S 12059- 60, D 1165

H.R. 10. Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act:

Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform.

Pages S 12036-43, D 1165

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Thursday, November 29, 2001.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of **H.R. 10** (listed above) at 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, November 28, 2001.

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Nomination Received:

Senate received the following nomination:

Lawrence A. Greenfeld, of Maryland, to be Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics, vice Jan M. Chaiken, resigned.

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Congressional Program Ahead. Week Of November 28 Through December 1, 2001:

Committee on the Judiciary: 11/28/01 @ 9:00 a.m. To hold oversight hearings to examine the Department of the Judiciary, focusing on how to preserve freedoms while defending against terrorism. SD-226.

Committee on the Judiciary: 11/29/01 @ 10:00 a.m. Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business. SD-226.

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Remarks:

Schedule.

"...I also inform my colleagues that the Judiciary Committee is prepared to report out, as I understand, nine judicial nominees, including one circuit court nominee, this week. We will be taking up those nominees as soon as the committee has reported them out, in addition to other nominations..."

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Stem Cell Research.

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Nominations. (John Walters to be Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy Nomination discussed)

<u>Kyl</u> Pages S 12029-30

Prohibition Of Human Cloning.

Frist Pages S 12032-4

Bioterrorism.

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HOUSE

Bills Introduced:

H.R. 3353. A bill to require the Assistant to the President for Homeland Security to establish a site on the Internet through which individuals may provide information on suspicious activities that may be used by the Federal Bureau of Investigation or other Government entities in the war on terrorism or to protect homeland security; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Flake

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H.R. 3354. A bill to *amend title 5*, *United States Code*, to allow certain catch-up contributions to the Thrift Savings Plan to be made by participants age 50 or over, and to afford employees and Members full immediate participation in the Thrift Savings Plan upon commencing Federal service; to the Committee on Government Reform.

Morella

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Reports Filed:

Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2972, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 550 West Fort Street in Boise, Idaho, as the "James A. McClure Federal Building and United States Courthouse." (House Report 107-301);

H. Res. 296, providing for consideration of the bill (**H.R. 3338**) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 (House Report 107-303).

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Suspensions:

The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Computer Security Enhancement Act: H.R. 1259, *amended,* to amend the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act to enhance the ability of the National Institute of Standards and Technology to improve computer security (agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 391 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 449).

Pages H 8351-6, H 8391, D 1167

James A. McClure Federal Building and Courthouse, Boise, Idaho: S. 1459, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 550 West Fort Street in Boise, Idaho, as the "James A. McClure Federal Building and United States Courthouse"--clearing the measure for the President.

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Committee Meeting:

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on "What Regulations are Needed to Ensure Air Security?"

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Committee on International Relations, 11/2901 @ 11:00 a.m. Hearing on Implementation of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act. 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, 11/29/01 @ 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and

Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on "The Operations and Federal Judicial Misconduct and Recusal Statutes." 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, 11/29/01 @ 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Crime, hearing on the following bills: **H.R. 556**, Unlawful Internet Gambling Funding Prohibition Act; and **H.R. 3215**, Combating Illegal Gambling Reform and Modernization Act. 1137 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, 11/28/01 @ 2:00 p.m. To consider **H.R. 3210,** Terrorism Risk Protection Act. H-313 Rayburn.

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Remarks:

Thrift Savings Plan Enhancement Act. (H.R. 3353)

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H.R. 2269-Investment Advice Act.

Baird Page E 2137

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

H.J. Res. 74, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2002. Signed on November 17, 2001. (Public Law 107-70)

S. 1447, to improve aviation security. Signed on November 19, 2001. (Public Law 107-71)

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Next SENATE MEETING: Wednesday, 10:30 a.m., November 28, 2001. Next HOUSE MEETING: Wednesday, 10:00 a.m., November 28, 2001.

OLA: S. Schwarz (Smith)